

M.S., BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Admission Requirements

Complete the admission process including the following:

- Application for admission (<https://uaf.edu/admissions/apply/>) and application fee
- Official transcripts from all universities or colleges attended. Grades are considered as part of the review process to assess academic success.
- Curriculum vitae
- Statement of Purpose
 - The statement of purpose tells the admissions committee who you are and why you are applying.
 - It should include relevant aspects of your background, research interests and experience, and professional aspirations. Explain why you wish to study in the UAF Department of Biology & Wildlife. Provide the names of faculty you have corresponded with and who might be appropriate mentors.
 - The statement is also a good place to elaborate on aspects of your application that might be misinterpreted or overlooked.
 - Excellent statements of interest are specific, informative, focused, and concise.
- Three letters of reference from individuals who can address your potential to succeed in graduate school. Ideally, letters of reference should come from university faculty, research staff, or professionals familiar with your academic or relevant work (including service, e.g., Peace Corps or AmeriCorps) experience and the expectations of graduate school.
- Optional: Scores from the GRE General Test will be considered, if submitted.
- International students: Please consult UAF's most recent requirements (<https://catalog.uaf.edu/getting-started/admission-international-students/>).
- Note: Students are typically not admitted to the program unless a faculty advisor has agreed to serve as the mentor. Applicants should contact potential advisors before applying.

Complete the master's degree requirements.
(<http://catalog.uaf.edu/graduate/mastersdegrees/#masterofsciencewiththesistext>)

Complete and pass the departmental written and oral master's comprehensive examination

Complete at least one of the following:

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BIOL/WLF F602	Research Design
BIOL/WLF F604	Scientific Writing, Editing and Revising in the Biological Sciences
BIOL/WLF F680	Data Analysis in Biology

Program Requirements

Minimum Requirements for Biological Sciences M.S.: 30 credits

Code	Title	Credits
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General University Requirements

Complete the general university requirements.
(<http://catalog.uaf.edu/graduate/mastersdegrees/#generaluniversityrequirementstext>)

Master's (with Thesis) Degree Requirements